Appointment powers of the President of the Republic under the Constitution of the CR and its comparison with the Constitutional Instrument of 1920

Abstract

The purpose of this thesis is to analyze and summarize appointment powers of the President of the Republic under the Constitution of the Czech Republic and compare them with the appointment powers of the President under the Constitutional Instrument of 1920. This topic was chosen because the valid Constitution of the Czech Republic is based on the Constitution Instrument of 1920 and the two constitutions in question are similar. In closer look those similarities are not so strong and differences maybe seems small but they are significant.

This thesis is composed of four chapters.

Chapter one is dealing with overall questions around the appointment powers of the president. It is divided to two parts. One is mentioning deputization of the president. Second is handling responsibilities of the president and counter-signature.

Second chapter describes common appointment powers which occur in both Constitutions. It is divided into four subchapters. President and his relationship to executive, judiciary, constitutional authorities and other appointment powers. Each subchapter consist many parts regarding the power in question. Each part is divided to three subparts. First subpart includes valid enactment. Second subpart is devoted to the Constitutional Instrument of 1920 and the last subpart contain comparison of both constitutions.

Third chapter discourse of appointment powers which occur only in the Constitution of the Czech Republic. This chapter is divided in three subchapters. President and his relationship to the executive, judiciary and other appointment powers.

Appointments powers occurring only in Constitutional Instrument of 1920 is treated in last chapter four. Chapter is divided to the same three subchapters as the previous chapter.

Conclusion points to the main differences between the two constitutions. Also the progress of appointment powers is discussed here. Some of them were reduced like the power to dismiss government, others were empowered because many of the powers do not need counter-signature anymore.

There are main appointment powers of the President under the two constitution mentioned in this thesis. This is supposed to be the one place where reader can find the comparisons and differences without the need of searching in other documents.